



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 1341 without my signature.

This bill would authorize California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) families whose children have been removed from the home and placed in out-of-home care to continue receiving monthly cash assistance while active reunification efforts are ongoing in the child welfare system. While I appreciate the author's intent to ensure that CalWORKs recipient families seeking to reunify with their children have needed resources, the bill could create significant costs, which would be more appropriately addressed through the annual budget process.

Sincerely,

Gavin Newsom

